

## SENATOR JONES TO REMAIN AT THE HEAD

Of the Democratic National Committee—Ex-Governor Stone in New York.

## THE LEADERS OF TAMMANY

Are not Showing Much Interest in Coming Meeting of National Committee.

NEW YORK, July 10.—Ex-Governor William J. Stone, of Missouri, who has been for some time the controlling figure in the Democratic national committee, said to-day that there was no truth in the reports that Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, intends to resign the chairmanship of the committee, and that Senator Martin, of Virginia, is likely to succeed him.

"I have just received a letter from Senator Jones," said Mr. Stone, "and he tells me that his health is now good. He is in a London suburb where he will remain most of the summer. I expect to see him at home by September 1, and I am in a position to make the positive statement that he will remain at the head of the Democratic national committee, and will lose no time in getting to work, after his return."

Governor Stone laughed at a report that he had come to New York to see Augustus Van Wyck and other prominent New York Democrats and make preparations for the meeting of the national committee in Chicago July 20. "I came here yesterday afternoon," he said, "and I have not seen a New York Democrat except one newspaper reporter. No preparations are needed for the meeting of the national committee and in any event, I would not come to New York to do any preparing. I am here to transact some business and as soon as it is completed, I shall start for Chicago."

The Tammany leaders are not showing much interest in the coming meeting of the Democratic national committee. They will have a representative at Chicago on July 20 to report on the work of the committee, but no prominent members of the organization are expected to make the trip.

**Bryan's "Elevation"**  
SUMMIT OF PIKE'S PEAK, Col., July 10.—Hon. William Jennings Bryan came up to-day from Colorado Springs. The entire ascent of the Peak was one continual ovation, camps being decked out in the national colors and scores of pleasure seekers from all over the country being lined up along the track to cheer the silver leader as the train passed. At the Summit House he received the following dispatch from J. J. Dickey, western superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, dated at Denver: "I congratulate you upon your elevation."

Mr. Bryan sent the following reply: "Thanks. We reached the top in safety, the average grade of the road being one foot to sixteen."

## Reorganizing Spanish Consuls.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 10.—Acting under instructions from the President, Adjutant General Corbin has sent telegraphic instructions to General Brooke, commanding in Cuba, General Otis, in the Philippines, and General Davis, in Porto Rico, to give provisional recognition to the Spanish consular officials in these islands. They have been notified of the appointment of the various consular officers of Spain accredited to the military department under their jurisdiction, and directed to permit them to exercise their appropriate consular functions. This action refutes entirely the report that the United States government had declined to issue exequatur to Jose Philippe Segura as Spanish consul general at Havana.

## How They Do It in Canada.

DETROIT, Mich., July 10.—A News special from London, Ont., says: All is quiet here to-day and little traces remain of Saturday's street car riots. Three persons have been arrested, charged with not dispersing when the riot act was read. A large number of arrests are expected later. The city is under martial law, with detachments of both infantry and cavalry on guard. There was a special meeting of the city council held to-day, and resolutions were adopted upholding the mayor for his action in calling out the military, and another calling on the railway company to operate all its lines on full schedule time, and guaranteeing full protection. A big labor demonstration, which was booked for this evening, will not be permitted by the authorities.

## A Narrow Escape.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., July 10.—An attempt was made to-night to wreck a Philadelphia & Reading passenger train near here loaded with passengers from this place. Kunkie McKuskie, aged eight, William Auman and Robert Evans, aged seven, of Gibberton, were arrested with the crime. They were taken before Alderman McCool and placed under heavy bail.

It is charged that they had placed a heavy brake shoe and hook weighing about 150 pounds on the track, at a place where the railroad embankment was very high, but as chance happened the front wheels of the locomotive pushed the obstruction away thereby saving the lives of the passengers.

## All Safely Landed.

HALIFAX, N. S., July 10.—The steamer Portia from New York for Halifax was wrecked during a dense fog early this evening on Flinn's Island, off Sambro, a point about fifteen miles to the eastward of Halifax. The passengers and crew, 115 all told, landed on the island in the ship's boats and are all comfortably housed there. No loss of life is reported. As soon as the people had all been safely landed, Captain Farrell started for the mainland with a boat's crew and reached Sambro late to-night, whence he sent the news of the disaster to Halifax by telephone.

## STARTLING TRAGEDY

Enacted in Dallas, Texas—Prof. Lipscomb Shot Dead in a Church During a Protracted Meeting.

HOUSTON, Texas, July 10.—A special from Dallas says: At 9 o'clock to-night, one of the most startling tragedies Dallas has ever known occurred in the First Christian church.

In the midst of a protracted meeting service, John T. Carlisle arose from his seat, walked to where Prof. William Lipscomb, principal of the Central high school, the leading educational institution of the city, was seated, and shot him without a word of warning. Carlisle was seized and taken to the county jail.

He would not talk of the tragedy. Professor Lipscomb was reported dead at 10:45 o'clock. Carlisle had been chief janitor of the high school, but failed to be re-appointed by the school board. He attributed his defeat for re-appointment to the professor's influence, and it is believed this was the cause of the murder.

Professor Lipscomb was a native of Nashville, Tenn., and came to Dallas four years ago. Carlisle is a native of Kentucky, a cousin of former secretary of the treasury John G. Carlisle.

## SITUATION IN TEXAS.

The Water Receding But Condition of Sufferers Not Improving.

AUSTIN, Texas, July 10.—Governor Sayres and a corps of assistants have spent the entire day working in behalf of flood sufferers up and down the Brazos river bottoms. Reports from the stricken district to-day are to the effect that, while the waters are rapidly receding, the condition of the flood sufferers is improving very little.

The governor received official reports from Velasco, the southernmost point, that everything was in fairly good condition there with 22 feet of water prevailing. He has received a telegram from the citizens of Hearne, stating that they had fought alone as long as they could and would now have to ask public aid, that all the property in that section had been laid waste, they were starving and homeless and needed money, food and clothing. Their wants will be supplied at once. County Judge Bell, at Bellville, wired that there were 1,200 sufferers in the counties of Mills Creek, and 1,000 in the creek bottom in absolute need. From numerous other portions of the flooded districts similar reports came pouring in.

Governor Sayres stated to-day, to an Associated Press correspondent, that the effort on the part of some to belittle the damage attendant upon this flood, was actuated by motives that he could not understand; that during his long residence in Texas, he had never seen a worse calamity befall its people and that from reports he had at his disposal he was led to believe that the list of suffering would be very large.

## BETTER FEELING

Displayed in the Tin Plate Wage Conference—Some Advance Made Toward Settlement.

CHICAGO, July 10.—The conference between the American Tin-plate Company and the wage committee of the Amalgamated Association is expected to end to-morrow. There was a better feeling displayed between the managers and the workmen to-day and for the first time since the beginning of the conference some advance was made toward a settlement.

The managers conceded a number of minor demands and indicated their willingness to have the annual shut down of the plants during the summer months. Nothing final, however, was determined.

## Wages Advanced.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., July 10.—The Bethlehem Steel Company has advanced the wages of the employees of the blast furnace 10 per cent and puddlers twenty-five cents per ton, establishing the puddlers wages at \$3.75. The advance affects nearly seven hundred men.

## Signatures to Wage Scale.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 10.—Signatures to the wage scale from the Detroit Steel Spring Company, of Detroit, and the Ewald Iron Company, of Louisville, Ky., were received at the headquarters of the Amalgamated Association in this city to-day.

## Death of the Czarewitch.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 10.—Grand Duke George, the czarewitch, died to-day, of consumption.

LONDON, July 10.—Grand Duke Michael will remain in England until it is decided when and where the funeral is to take place.

The death of the Czarewitch, though quite unexpected, so much so indeed, that his mother was not with him, has caused no surprise, because it has long been known that it was impossible for him to survive the consumption from which he suffered, he having assumed a serious phase which compelled him to live the life of a confirmed invalid.

## Kentucky Republicans.

LEXINGTON, Ky., July 10.—The Republican convention to nominate candidates for state officers is now holding the attention of the politicians, both Republican and Democratic, all over the state. All the gubernatorial candidates arrived early and are at work. General Taylor claims he will receive the nomination by acclamation. Taylor claims to have over eleven hundred instructed votes and will be able to organize the convention. On the other hand Stone and Pratt say he will fall fully 450 votes below his estimate and his nomination is not assured by any means.

## A Terrible Fight.

MIDWAY, Ky., July 10.—Lester Witherspoon, a leading trotting horse man, and capitalist, had a terrible fight to-day with Matthew Martin, a brother of State Senator Henry M. Martin, over a business misunderstanding. Martin drew a pistol and it is claimed Witherspoon drew a knife. When the men were separated after much difficulty, Martin was badly cut and may die. Witherspoon was unhurt. Martin's pistol was not fired.

## Fatal Mine Explosion.

ALTOONA, Pa., July 10.—Five men were injured, two fatally by an explosion of gas in the Laughman mines at Ehrenfeld to-day. Their names: Henry Hoyer, James Hoyer, David Wallace, Joseph Callahan, Charles McClaren. The two first named will die. The explosion was due to a defective lamp carried by Henry Hoyer.

## CAPTAIN WATKINS SUSPENDED

For two Years for Stranding the Steamship Paris of the American Line.

## REPORT OF LOCAL INSPECTORS

States the Captain did not Act With the Necessary Care and Attention.

NEW YORK, July 10.—The report of Captain Watkins of the stranding of the American line steamship Paris, was made public to-day by the local board of steamboat inspectors. Captain Watkins makes no attempt to evade responsibility for the accident, but on the contrary says frankly that the stranding of the ship was the result of an unaccountable error on his part. The accident, he says, was not due to any want of thought or anxiety about his vessel, but resulted from a mistake he made in calculating the position of the ship.

The local inspectors have suspended Captain Watkins' license as master of ocean steamers for two years. Captain Watkins is still in charge of the Paris and is acting in the interests of the underwriters, to whom the ship was turned over by the American line officials.

The report of Captain Watkins, made under oath, is as follows:

"I was master of the steamship Paris when she left Southampton at noon on May 20th last, bound for New York via Cherbourg, and at 5:21 o'clock p. m., of the same day she arrived at Cherbourg. Having taken on board forty-five more passengers and their baggage, we sailed for New York at 5:52. At 6:30 p. m., Cape La Hague was abeam and at 7:35 p. m., the Casquets lighthouse was abeam. At 1:19 a. m., of the 21st of May, land was suddenly seen ahead and reported.

## When the Vessel Struck.

The helm was immediately put hard to starboard and the port engine was put full speed astern, but directly afterward the vessel struck on the rocks, which proved to be about a cable's length from the beach.

"It was then discovered to be thick over the land.

"I have thought it right to place these particulars before you in the hope that you will take into consideration a long and responsible seafaring career, during which I believe I have throughout held the perfect confidence of my employers. The accident was not due to any want of thought or anxiety about my vessel or her safety, but arose purely from the mistake I made in making my calculations above described. I can only speak in terms of the highest praise of the discipline which under trying circumstances was admirably sustained by my officers and crew."

## "FREDERICK WATKINS, Master S. S. Paris."

The report of the United States local inspectors is as follows:

"We have carefully read the report made by Captain Watkins, in which Captain Watkins takes the entire responsibility of the disaster upon himself in making a mistake in the time when he passed the Casquets, and thereby over-running his distance.

## Meagre in Details.

"We find that the report is very meagre in details, inasmuch as he merely states that he made a mistake in taking his departure from Cape Le Hague at 7:38, when he was actually abreast of the Casquets at that time, a distance of about sixteen and one-half miles. This, of course, would put him sixteen and one-half miles ahead of his reckoning, but would not account for his being set in to the northward of his course seven miles, allowing his intention to pass the Lizard at a distance of three miles. As Captain Watkins does not make any mention of making any allowance for tide, we are of the opinion he had not taken that matter into consideration, whereas, when he approached the English coast, he must have encountered the flood tide on his port bow setting him towards land. In addition to this he makes no mention of having used his lead, and he only discovered it was thick over the land when the ship was ashore.

"Giving all due consideration to these matters we are of the opinion that Captain Watkins has not acted with the necessary care and attention requisite in the navigation of his vessel which a master should have used, and we therefore suspend his license as master of ocean steamers for a period of two years."

(Signed) THOMAS H. BARRETT, PETER C. PETRIE, United States Local Inspectors.

## ALASKAN BOUNDARY

Senator Fairbanks in Search of a Satisfactory Solution.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 10.—Unless Senator Fairbanks, while in Alaska, succeeded in finding a satisfactory solution of the vexed boundary question, and brings with him the material for the arrangement of a modus vivendi, the high joint commission will not meet in August.

It is conjectured here that the senator, though himself a member of the commission, has, during his Alaskan trip, been unable to acquaint himself with the unsatisfactory state of the negotiations between Mr. Choate and Lord Salisbury, respecting the arrangement of a modus. At any rate it is stated here that there has been no change in the status of the case and no communication from Mr. Choate that would tend to encourage the hope that the high joint conference can re-convene in Quebec, August 2, to which date the adjournment was had at the last meeting.

## KILLING OF ELLIS.

Governor to Take Steps to Prevent Outbreak of Old Feud.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. CHARLESTON, W. Va., July 10.—Governor Atkinson and his private secretary, General E. L. Boggs, left this evening for Gray Station, on the Norfolk & Western railway, the scene of the killing of H. E. Ellis, by Elias Hatfield.

The governor's mission, it is stated, is to make a personal investigation into the facts of the murder, as pressure has been brought to bear upon him ever since the occurrence, to take steps to prevent another outbreak of the Hatfield-McCoy feud.

## Prominent Citizen Dead.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., July 10.—Daniel B. Anderson, one of the best known and wealthiest citizens of the county, died yesterday evening, of consumption, aged seventy-two years, after a long illness. He was a native of Allegheny county, Maryland, but moved to this county in 1852 and has since lived here.

He was married in 1860 to Miss Martha Coll and of the union there survive six children, Mrs. Eliza Jacobs and Mrs. George Little, of Mannington; James E. Anderson, of Fairmont; Mrs. George Parfitt, William C. Anderson and Robert Anderson, of this county.

## Death of Col. C. J. Lang.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., July 10.—Colonel C. J. Lang, a prominent citizen, of this city, died at his home on Pike street, this morning, of typhoid fever. He had been sick but a few days. Colonel Lang was for a number of years Baltimore & Ohio agent at this place, but since he severed his connection with that company he had been engaged in the mercantile business. The funeral will take place Wednesday under the auspices of the Odd Fellows.

## West Virginia Midgott Dead.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

STUEBENVILLE, O., July 10.—Jerry Morrow, the little man of Turkeyfoot, West Virginia, died yesterday, aged twenty-nine years. He was famous because he was only forty inches high, and weighed about thirty-eight pounds. He possessed scholarly traits and was a skilled musician. His nature prevented his exhibiting as a freak.

## Pardon Refused.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., July 10.—Attorneys for Paul Clifford, the Salvation Army captain, who was sentenced in the court in February for grand larceny to four years in the penitentiary, received word this evening that the board of pardons had refused their application for his pardon.

## Contractors Assign.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., July 10.—W. S. Montgomery & Company, contractors and lumber dealers, made an assignment this afternoon for the benefit of creditors. The liabilities amount to \$12,000, and the assets are worth about \$7,000, consisting of the planing mills of the company and some accounts receivable.

## B. & O. SOUTHWESTERN

Sold for the Upset Price—No Change in the Management.

CINCINNATI, O., July 10.—The Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern railroad was sold to-day to E. R. Bacon, Geo. Hoadley, jr., and J. Chauncey Hoffman, as a purchasing committee for the security holders, for \$2,310,000. The upset price was \$2,000,000 for the Ohio division, \$1,000,000 for the Mississippi division and \$500,000 for what is known as the Springfield division, running from Beardstown and Shawneetown. President Bacon bid on these parcels separately and then added \$10,000 for them as a whole when Gen. Cowan, clerk of the federal court, knocked the property down to them. This purchasing committee at once transferred the property to the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Railway Company, which will be organized with E. R. Mason as president, and William M. Greene as vice president and general manager. The only changes made are in the name of the old organization from that of railroad for railway. The relations continue the same as heretofore with the Baltimore & Ohio railway.

## Had no Jurisdiction.

CINCINNATI, O., July 10.—Some time ago Franklin Buell, of New York, applied to the United States court here for an order to restrain the Farmers' Loan & Trust Company, of New York, from proceeding with the sale of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Railway on foreclosure. It was refused. To-day a copy of an order of the supreme court of Erie county, N. Y., arrived here, which granted the petition of Franklin Buell to restrain the New York trust company from proceeding with the sale. The order was not served, but was filed in the United States court, which holds that the Erie county, N. Y., court has no jurisdiction whatever.

## INHUMAN CRUELTY

That was Practiced on Dreyfus on Devil's Island.

PARIS, July 10.—It is rumored that as a result of the inhuman cruelty practiced upon Dreyfus while on Devil's Island, M. Lebon, the minister who was responsible for the orders sent to M. Deniel, while in charge of the penal settlement where Dreyfus was confined, will be proceeded against, the government not confining its action to yesterday's dismissal of Deniel.

M. Bertillon, the handwriting expert, who testified before the court of cassation that Dreyfus was the author of the bordereau, still remains at the head of the anthropometric department of the prefecture of police, but has been deprived of his official duties.

Baron Baunly, another of the aristocratic promoters of the demonstration against President Loubet at Auteuil has been pardoned.

It is understood that M. Loubet also desired to pardon Baron Christiani, who made the assaults upon him, but the cabinet decided that this was quite out of the question.

## Experiment in Beef Shipment.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 10.—The Glacier has arrived at Singapore. She carries a large cargo of fresh refrigerated beef intended for the fleet in the Philippines. The navy department is greatly interested in the success of this experimental shipment, as we now make heavy purchases of Australian beef for the supply of the fleet in the east.

## IMPRESSIVE SOLEMNITY ATTENDS

The Closing Scenes of Eighteenth International Convention of Christian Endeavorers.

## MESSAGE FROM THE HAGUE

In Response to Cablegram Sent to Ambassador White—Attendance on Meetings.

DETROIT, Mich., July 10.—The eighteenth international convention of Christian Endeavor closed to-night amid scenes of impressive solemnity attending the utterances of "the last word" by the president and secretary in each of the great tents respectively, following responses from each state and country represented, and last exhortations from M. E. Bishop Vincent, of Kansas and Evangelist Chapman, of New York.

The following cablegram from Hon. Andrew D. White, president of the American peace commissioners at The Hague, brought out storms of applause. It was in answer to this message:

"To the American Peace Commission, The Hague:

"Twenty-five thousand American and Canadian Christian Endeavorers, now assembled in international convention, Detroit, represent two and one-half millions enthusiastic for peace and arbitration. Great peace meeting held. All wish you God speed."

(Signed) "FRANCIS E. CLARK, Pres. "JOHN WILLIS BAER, Sec.

Mr. White's cablegram is:

"Clark, President Christian Endeavor, Detroit.

"American commissioners to the peace conference send sincere thanks for message, and congratulate you and all friends of peace for the great success achieved providing for a permanent tribunal of arbitration."

(Signed) "WHITE, Pres. "HOLLS, Sec."

At all previous meetings the audiences assembled quietly, but this evening, for some time before the calling to order of the two great gatherings, Tents Endeavor and Williston were hells of sounds and scenes. The state, provincial and foreign delegations were grouped in designated bunches, divided about equally between the two tents. Each had its own particular rally cry and each delegation took pleasure in making it known to the extent of its lung power. The delegations which were not shouting were singing. Music Conductor Foster finally made himself heard without aid of a megaphone and all the voices were turned into inspiring volumes of "Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty," with much improved effect.

The following statements as to attendance, etc., was given out by Secretary Baer:

Without doubt the attendance at this convention has very much exceeded that of any other Christian Endeavor convention ever held in the matter of those present at the various meetings. This estimate takes into account the great convention at Boston in 1895. That is to say, that out of the 28,000 Endeavorers registered, which is the estimate of the reception committee and includes Detroit members, there have been more who attended meetings than at any previous times. The estimate of attendance at meetings gave a total of 298,500. There were 28,000 Endeavorers in attendance, including Detroit delegates. Thirty thousand five hundred simultaneously attended strictly Christian Endeavor meetings.

These figures do not include the sixty-six non-evangelist meetings which had a total attendance of 15,000, and 100 professed conversions.

The chairman of each state and provincial delegation and those from abroad were called to the platform and testified each for his people and their admiration as Endeavorers. Then the respective delegations sang together, waved flags and gave other evidences of enthusiasm.

## REVOLUTION THREATENED

In Guatemala—Financial Difficulties the Cause of the Trouble.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 10.—Several leading citizens of Guatemala just arrived on the steamer San Juan confirm the reports that a revolution is threatened in that country. A prominent planter now here said: "The inflated currency, combined with the surplus production of coffee explains the conditions. Of late years every bit of arable land has been used for the growth of coffee, with the result that there is over-production."

The call says that President Cabyera is charged with having ordered the coining of a silver standard piece 600 fine in place of 835 fine. This brought a storm about his ears and he laid the blame upon the superintendent of the mint, who now lies in jail.

In order to adjust matters, Cabyera made a demand upon the banks for subsidies of silver. This was refused, with the result of the expulsion of President Rocaenda Deyella, of the Bank of England, and the forced flight of Alexander A. Brahmsen, of the Bank of America.

Silver has been made contraband. All Guatemalans who attempt to ship it are apprehended and incarcerated. The treasury, foreign relations and public works portfolios in the cabinet are now vacant, no one caring to accept either of them.

The floating of \$2,500,000 in paper, in which the laboring people are paid, and which is practically worthless, has led to much suffering in all parts of the country.

## Got up to 1441.

PARIS, July 10.—At to-day's session of the Venetian commission, Sir Richard Webster, in behalf of Great

Britain, brought the chronological review up to the year 1441. The United States ambassador, General Horace Porter, gave a dinner and reception to-night in honor of the members of the commission and council.

## TWO TEACHERS KILLED

And a Number Injured While En Route to National Educational Association at San Francisco.

STOCKTON, Cal., July 10.—A Burlington special train of nine coaches on the way from St. Louis to Los Angeles, loaded with teachers going to attend the National Educational Association convention at Los Angeles, crashed into a freight train within 300 yards of the depot at Newman, Stanislaus county, to-day, and two women were killed and thirteen passengers injured.

Killed—Miss Addie Harris, St. Louis; Mrs. Lena Thomas, Seneca Falls, N. Y. Injured—Miss Clara Morehouse, Battle Creek, Mich.; Mrs. Elizabeth White, St. Louis; Miss Mary Oliver, St. Louis; Miss Helena English, St. Louis; Miss Gertrude R. Smith, St. Louis; Miss Gertrude Rosenberg, St. Louis; Miss Lulla A. Wohmir, St. Louis; Edwin D. Tucker, St. Louis; Robert G. Mills, Lake Creston, S. D.; Miss O. T. Morse, Philadelphia; Calvin Butler, St. Louis.

With the exception of Robert Mills, who was injured about the head, though not fatally, none of the injured are at all serious, the number consisting of slight bruises or merely shocks. The special was going at the rate of forty miles an hour and the freight train was taking water on the main track. The freight train immediately took fire and an empty coach, way car and three flat cars were burned.

The tender of the locomotive crashed into the sleeper, killing the two women in the second berth and injuring the other occupants. None of the other cars left the track.

Further advices are that the injured are all doing well. They were taken to San Francisco this afternoon. Miss Harris was instantly killed, the side of her head being crushed in.

Mrs. Thomas, an elderly lady, lived about five minutes after being taken from the wreck, but did not speak.

The coroner's jury met, but adjourned to next Monday to get testimony of important witnesses.

## ASSAULTED AND ROBBED

A Telegraph Operator Sets Signals so as to Stop Trains.

WILMINGTON, Del., July 10.—William Ahern, telegraph operator of the Delaware railroad at Ginn's Crossing, Middletown, was discovered at his desk at the tower at 2:30 o'clock this morning, bleeding and unconscious from wounds on the head. He had been assaulted by two negroes, who robbed him of \$25.

Before becoming unconscious Ahern set the signals in both directions to stop trains, and the signals, coupled with the fact that no response was received by whistling, caused the crew of a south-bound train to stop and make an investigation. The precaution taken by the brave and desperately wounded operator prevented the possibility of train collisions.

A posse was promptly organized and the assailants were traced to Summit Bridge, about seven miles distant, where they were arrested and taken to jail. They are James Young and Chester Rasin, from Wilmington, Md.

## Woman Charged with Murder.

ERIE, Pa., July 10.—Clarence E. Shattuck, one of the proprietors of a billiard room at Four Mills Creek, near here, was shot and killed early this morning and his body placed on the tracks of the Erie motor line. His wife, Ella Shattuck, is locked up in the Erie police station, charged with murdering him. An examination of the body by Coroner Bithemex, disclosed the fact that the man had been shot in the head, arm and back. It is stated that two bicyclists, who were near the roadway and in the immediate neighborhood of the trestle, heard the cry of "murder" twice before the shots were fired, and they saw a woman hurry down towards the mouth of the creek.

## Youthful Train Wreckers Caught.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., July 10.—A special policeman of the Philadelphia & Reading railway, to-day arrested Arthur and Henry Henninger, Richard Werkel, George Grier, Raymond Brightbill and Phrom Troutman for tampering with the wires of a signal switch at the Herndon branch of the Philadelphia & Reading company, two miles west of this place last evening. The ages of the prisoners range from fourteen to seventeen years. Several of the boys confessed that they wanted to wreck the southbound passenger train, which was due at that point shortly after they committed the act. A brakeman had discovered them at their dastardly work and a wreck was thus averted. The prisoners will be given a hearing in a day or two.

## Dropped Dead.

READING, Pa., July 10.—William M. Fulton, a contractor, aged forty-six years, was out for a pleasure drive this afternoon, accompanied by his wife, when he met Harvey Witman, aged thirty-five, whom Fulton accused of insulting his wife recently. Fulton jumped from his carriage and began to give Witman a beating. Witman fled and Fulton pursued him for two blocks when he (Fulton) suddenly dropped dead from heart disease.

## New Pottery Combine.

PITTSBURGH, July 10.—Another effort is to be made to consolidate the pottery interests of the country. A meeting will be held shortly to organize the American Stoneware Company, with headquarters at Akron, Ohio. The new company will embrace about thirty plants, located principally in Pennsylvania and Ohio.